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Applicant: Hiroyuki SHIMIZU et al. Conf.: 7526

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For: METHOD FOR INHIBITING THE DEGRADATION  
OF NATRIURETIC PEPTIDES COMPRISING  
CONTAINERS MADE OF OR COATED WITH  
MATERIALS INHIBITING THE ACTIVATION OF  
SUBSTANCES DEGRADING THEM

LARGE ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM  
FOR REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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June 5, 2003

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply in the above-identified application.

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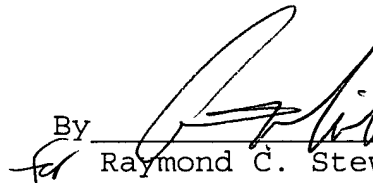
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- ☒ Petition for one (1) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$110.00 for the extension of time.
- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of \$362.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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